representatives in order to find out ways and means to increase the profit of the factory?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (MISS KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI); (a) and (b) The proposal for expansion of Hindustan Latex Limited (HLL) bas been recently approved by the Government. The expansion programme is expected to be completed in about two years.

(c) No cases of mass retrenchment and disciplinary actio$_n$ against workers of the factory in" HLL have been reported in the Management; Some casual labourers are reported to have bee$_n$ disengaged in May 1984 for want of work. The case is pending in the High Court of Kerala.

(d) The Management of HLL have reported that they have taken steps to consider the new charter of demands of Unions in view of the long term settlement expiring j$_n$ October, 1984.

(e) and (f) Rs. 20.05 Jakhs in 1982-83 and Rs. 27 lakhs in 1983-84 is reported to have been paid as overtime allowance to workers. The Management is reporter to be considering a study in areas requiring more manpower.

(g) No specific instance regarding rejection of the lowest quotation without valid justification has come to the notice of the Government.

(h) The Management is reported to be willing to hold discussions with recognised Trade Unions $_{OT}$ the factory to consider ways and means for increasing profit of the Company.

Bombay-Mangalore Coastal Railway fine

2668. SHRl O J JOSEPH-
SHRI K.' MOHANAN;

WiH the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state by when the completion of Bombay-Mangalore Coastal Railway line project is envisaged?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHAN* KHAN CHOUDHURY)'; A. B. G. line already exists between Bombay and Apta. Apta-Roha (62 Kms.) section of the Apta-Mangalore West Coast line has been approved as the first phase of the project. Apta-Pen (20.35 Kms) section has already been-completed and opened to traffic on 21-2-83. Work is well in progress on Pen.Roha section (41.65 Kms.) Due to constraint of resources, there is at present no propo^ sal for extending the line beyond Roha.

Computerisation of Wagon Movement

2669. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA; Will the Minister of RAILWAYS b$_e$ pleased to state-;

(a) whether Government propose to computerise the movements of wagons; and

(b) if so, by when the said scheme is likely to b$_e$ implemented?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) This scheme is proposed to be implemented in phases and is likely to be completed in a timeframe of about. 10 years

Railway Catering Corporation

2670. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA; Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;.

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to creat$_e$ a Railway Catering Corporation; and

(b) if so, by when the said Corporation is likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A, B. A GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY); (a) "and (b) The government have taken a decision to set up a Catering Corporation on the railways. Formalities regarding its setting up are being pursued.

Speed of mail and passenger trains

2671. SHRI PARVATHANENl UPENDRA; Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state-.

(a) whether it is a fact that the speed